

# ABSTRACT

In a brake pedal apparatus (50) of the invention, an engagement condition between an engagement means (15) and an L-shaped member (43) is maintained and a second lever member (2a<sub>2</sub>) pivots with a second pivot shaft (13) being the center, setting a small lever ratio, if a pedal force (F<sub>p</sub>) is equal to or less than a set value (F<sub>p0</sub>) when a brake pedal (2) is depressed while the engaging means (15) and the L-shaped member (43) are in the engagement condition. If the pedal force (F<sub>p</sub>) exceeds the set value (F<sub>p0</sub>), the engagement between the engaging means (15) and the L-shaped member (43) is cancelled, and the engaging means (15) moves while causing the L-shaped member (43) to pivot. An engaging-and-connecting lever (45) disengages from a linear portion (43b), and the engaging-and-connecting lever (45) pivots so that its latch pawl latches onto teeth (47a) of the second lever member (2a<sub>2</sub>), joining the first and second lever members (2a<sub>1</sub>), (2a<sub>2</sub>) unitarily. Thereby, a lever ratio is changed, and a large lever ratio is set.